THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) have informed that with their wide experience in project formulation, engineering, contracting, project management and operation & maintenance of transmission system, they intend to diversify into the field of intra-state sub-transmission and distribution through 100% owned subsidiary companies. These subsidiary companies would act as nucleus companies for the purpose of carrying out various activities which include establishment of subsidiaries and Joint Venture companies, as may be required from time to time for specific activity or area of operation.

(c) PGCIL has been assisting various States Electricity Boards/ Utilities and Electricity Departments of Union Territories in technical consultancy services as well as in undertaking turnkey projects. PGCIL has provided technical consultancy services to Grid Corporation of Orissa Ltd. (GRIDCO) as sub-consultants to M/s. Merz and McLellan, UK for the Power Sector Reforms Projects in Orissa. The consultancy contract in this regard has expired on March 31, 2002. PGCIL has offered to provide consultancy services directly to GRIDCO for completion of the balance portion of the work.

Cost of production of power and expenditure incurred on Supply

†2291. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have assessed the actual cost of production of power and the expenditure incurred on the supply of power to the consumers in the country;

(b) if so, the average cost of production of power in each State in the country and the average of expenditure incurred on the supply of power to the consumer; and

(c) the reasons for difference, if any, in both of these rates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) All India weighted average tariff (excepting Independent Power Producers) for coal based stations is

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

151 paisa/Kwh, hydro is 63 paise/Kwh and Gas basd stations is 220 paise/Kwh. Weighted average tariffs for coal, gas, and Naphtha based stations of NTPC (for 2001-2002) are as under:

paise/Kwh

Type of Project	Tariff
Coal	140.50
Gas	220.85
Naphtha	411.50

The weighted average of tariff for NHPC Power Stations for the year 2001-2002 is 132.83 paise/Kwh.

A comparative statement of Average cost of generation and average cost of supply in respect of states who have unbundled their Boards and have separate Generation Companies is enclosed. (*see* below)

(c) The large difference between average cost of generation and average cost of supply is due to theft of power, high technical losses, overstaffing in the utilities, poor metering, billing and collection and irractional tariff.

Statement

Average cost of generation and average cost of supply to the States where SEBs have been unbundled/Corportised

(Paise/Kwh of sale)

SEBs	Average cost of generation	Average cost of supply
Andhra Pradesh APGENCO	160.04	360.70
Haryana/HVPN/HPCL	244.17	411.90
Karnataka SEB/KPC	123.38	374.58
Orissa (GRIDCO)/ OHPC	56.12	184.90
OPGC	98.27	
Rajasthan (Transco.) GENCO	236.47	368.64
UP (Power Corp.) GENCO	148.99	383.64
West Bengal SEB WBPDCL	203.62	376.78